MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS WESTERN DISTRICT

REX A. SINQUEFIELD and TRAVIS BROWN, RESPONDENTS

VS.

TODD J. JONES and MISSOURI ROUNDTABLE FOR LIFE, APPELLANTS

DOCKET NUMBER WD77056

DATE: MARCH 11, 2014

Appeal from:

The Circuit Court of Cole County, Missouri The Honorable Jon E. Beetem, Judge

Appellate Judges:

Special Division: James E. Welsh, Chief Judge, Victor C. Howard , Judge and Thomas H. Newton, Judge

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MISSOURI APPELLATE COURT OPINION SUMMARY

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Todd Jones appeals from the judgment of the Cole County Circuit Court declaring insufficient and unfair the fiscal note and the fiscal note summary of the official ballot title for an initiative petition to limit campaign contributions and make Missouri Constitutional changes related to campaign finance. Mr. Jones contends that the fiscal note and fiscal note summary are sufficient and fair.

REVERSED AND REMANDED

Special Division holds:

Because (1) the submission of the Department of Revenue included in the fiscal note was not unreasonable and (2) the language of the fiscal note summary stating "[a]ny potential impact to revenues for state and local governments is unknown" adequately and without bias, prejudice, or favoritism synopsized the fiscal note, the circuit court erred in remanding the fiscal note and fiscal note summary to the state auditor for preparation of a new fiscal note and a new fiscal note summary.

Opinion by: Victor C. Howard, Judge Date: March 11, 2014

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